



MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: The First,
Second, and Third Tuesday
of each month

Regular Meeting

County Courthouse,
Bridgeport, CA 93517

January 6, 2009

9:00 AM Meeting Called to Order: Clerk of the Board opens the first meeting of the calendar year.

Pledge of Allegiance: Outgoing Chairwoman Vikki Bauer asked Lynda Roberts, Clerk of the Board, to lead the pledge.

Swearing in of Newly Elected Supervisors: Judge Forstenzer administered the oath of office to Supervisors Bauer, Hazard and Reid.

Clerk of the Board called for nominations to elect the Chair of the Board for 2009.

M09-01 Action: Nominate Supervisor Reid to be the Chair of the Board for 2009.
Farnetti/Hunt, 5-0

Clerk of the Board called for nominations to elect the Vice Chair of the Board for 2009.

M09-02 Action: Nominate Supervisor Hunt to be the Vice Chair of the Board for 2009.
Hazard/Farnetti, 5-0

Clerk of the Board presented a plaque to outgoing Board Chair, Vikki Bauer.

Newly Elected Board Chair Reid resumed duty of conducting the meeting.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Judge Forstenzer: Updated the Board about the status of the new courthouse in Mammoth Lakes, which is being constructed by the Administrative Office of the Courts. An architectural

firm from San Francisco has been working on preliminary drawings for the last year, and the Administrative Office has engaged a construction management firm from Reno. The project will be bid in late 2009, and construction is scheduled to begin early in 2010; the building may be ready for occupancy as early as June 2011.

David Lane, Acting Commander, Bridgeport California Highway Patrol, and Patricia Shearer, Commander, Bishop California Highway Patrol, introduced themselves to the Board.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Chairman Reid reported on the following:

1. No report.

Supervisor Hunt reported on the following:

1. John Wohlmuth has been appointed to be city manager of Palm Desert.

Supervisor Hazard reported on the following:

1. No report.

Supervisor Farnetti reported on the following:

1. No report.

Supervisor Bauer reported on the following:

1. RCRC is supporting the transportation idea (Paul Sarbanes transit-in-parks program) and will produce a letter of support.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

- 1) **CAO Report regarding Board Assignments (David Wilbrecht)**
ACTION: Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding his activities.

David Wilbrecht reported on the following:

1. Conducted Assistant CAO interviews last month, and, after further consideration, decided not to fill the position at this time. Will reconsider the position at budget time. In the meanwhile, Wilbrecht will oversee administration of the Health and Human Services agencies.
2. PSO negotiations have occurred.
3. Followed up with public defenders agreements; asked the Finance Director to analyze whether or not the County should perform this function in house.
4. Continuing to hold status meetings with all department heads.
5. Regarding the snow event in the Mammoth area over the holidays, Jeff Walters was in South County to coordinate snow removal.
6. Currently dealing with some personnel issues.
7. Revised the agenda review process hoping to make it more efficient and effective. The due date for agenda items changed from Friday afternoons to Mondays at Noon so staff members have time over the weekend to add items. Producing agendas to provide a full extra week of review by the public isn't possible without creating an addendum each week. Will continue working with the current time frame of producing the agenda on Thursdays prior to the meeting.

8. The Finance Director has been contacting people about meetings regarding the County facility needs assessment. The schedule of meetings is being posted in many different places. The plan is to receive community input, and present a preliminary report to the Board at mid year, and then finalize the plan after Board review.
9. Bob Haueter from Congressman McKeon's office will be in Bridgeport next week. He is asking for items in which the Board is interested so he can take this information to the Congressman. He will meet individually with Board Members if so requested.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M09-03 Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 9, 2008.
Hazard/Hunt, 5-0

M09-04 Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 16, 2008.
Hunt/Hazard, 5-0

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session: 9:13 a.m.

Break: 10:10 a.m.

Reconvened: 10:17 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:39 a.m.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- 3a) Human Resources - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mark Magit, & Robert Garret. Employee Organization(s): International Union of Operating Engineers, Stationary Local 39, AFL-CIO (aka Mono County Public Employees).
- 3b) Labor Negotiations - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Rick Scholl, & Robert Garret Employee Organization(s): Mono County Public Safety Officers' Association.
- 3c) Labor Negotiations - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.
Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): David Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mark Mikulicich, and Robert Garret. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association.

The Board had nothing to report from closed session.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

Kelly Garcia reported on the following:

1. All five playgrounds have been installed; the fence at Walker ball field is being installed; the District Attorney's Office is moving into their new space on the second floor of the Sierra Center Mall; due to state budget problems, funding has been cut for the Prop 50 (Mountain Gate) and Prop 40 (Lee Vining) projects. Garcia will work to get the funding reinstated.

CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 4a) Appointment to the Antelope Valley Fire District Board - Dick Padgett's term on the board of the Antelope Valley Fire District expired November 30, 2008. Mr. Padgett has expressed an interest in being reappointed to another full term, which would expire November 30, 2012.

M09-05 **Action:** Reappoint Dick Padgett to serve another full term on the board of the Antelope Valley Fire District.
Hunt/Hazard, 5-0

- 4b) Birchim Community Service District - Requested reappointment to the Board of Directors of the Birchim Community Service District.

M09-06 **Action:** Reappoint Barbara Faessel to a new term of office on the Board of Directors of the Birchim Community Services District, pursuant to Elections Code section 10515(b).
Hunt/Hazard, 5-0

SHERIFF CORONER

- 5a) Jail Vehicle Replacement Purchase (**Sheriff Richard C. Scholl**) - Replacement of Jail Vehicle for inmate transport with SCAAP grant funds.

M09-07 **Action:** Authorize the Sheriff's Department, via Public Works, to purchase a new Ford 4X4 Expedition to replace an older model with high mileage on behalf of the County in an amount not to exceed \$33,600.00.
Hunt/Hazard, 5-0

FINANCE

- 6a) Out-of-State Travel - Consider possible out-of-state travel by Gerald Frank to attend a five-day Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) training on governmental accounting, auditing and financial reporting in Chicago, Illinois.

M09-08 Action: Approve out-of-state travel by Gerald Frank.
Hunt/Hazard, 5-0

REGULAR AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

All items listed are available for review and are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board

CLERK-RECORDER

- 7a) California Integrated Waste Management Board - Letter addressed to Louis Molina, Mono County Environmental Health Department, cc: Mono County Board of Supervisors, regarding "Administrative Conference Workplan Update Status Determinations for the County of Mono Department of Environmental Health as the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency: Request for extension of Notice and Order."
- 7b) Memo from Kathy Emerick, Mammoth Unified School District - Memo addressed to the Board of Supervisors regarding "A Resolution of the Governing Board of the Mammoth Unified School District Supporting a Mono County Youth Loitering Ordinance".

The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.

Supervisor Hunt: Referring to correspondence #7b, asked to have this item agendaized for discussion at the January 20th special meeting since there is a lot of interest in the South County. Supervisor Farnetti: The Sheriff's Office already has the authority to pick up loitering students. Sheriff Scholl: The only difference is the ordinance would attach a penalty for a truant student, such as a fine or community service. Otherwise, without the ordinance, the Sheriff's Office can stop a student and take them back to school. If the Town passes an ordinance it will be specific only to Mammoth Lakes; a County ordinance would be enforceable countywide. The Eastern Sierra Unified School District is supportive of an ordinance.

PUBLIC WORKS

- 8a) Fancy Resolution - Steve Anderson Retirement (**Evan Nikirk**) - Consider and potentially authorize Board signatures on a fancy resolution recognizing Steve Anderson for his 30 years of dedicated service with the Mono County

Department of Public Works. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Action: Present fancy resolution to Steve Anderson.

Chairman Reid read the resolution and presented it to Steve Anderson. Anderson said it was a pleasure working for Mono County and he will miss it.

SHERIFF CORONER

- 9a) Eastern Sierra Unified School District Utilization of the Sheriff's Dept. Reverse 911 System (**Lt. David O'Hara**) - Consider and potentially approve County entry into proposed contract with Eastern Sierra Unified School District pertaining to Eastern Sierra Unified District's utilization of the Sheriff's Dept. Reverse 911 System, and the Chairman of the Board to execute said contract on behalf of the County. Receive staff report. Provide any desired direction to staff.

M09-09 Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract; adjust wording in contract to waive fees for service. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign said contract on behalf of the County.

Hazard/Bauer, 5-0

Lt. Dave O'Hara: The School District has requested use of the Reverse 911 system to alert parents when an event, such as weather, will impact closure of schools. Currently, teachers call the parents and it is ineffective. The Sheriff's Department decided to allow school principals to have access to initiate calls, with the understanding that this is for emergencies only; the District will inform Sheriff's dispatch prior to launching a call. If there is a fire, flood or other County emergency, the County Office of Emergency Services will put out the call and not the School District. County Counsel drafted an MOU that includes a reimbursement to the County for each minute used; the current rate is 40 cents per minute, plus the School District will pay for the cost of the password. The School Board has approved the MOU. This is a nice tool for the school and good PR for the County. Also, this service is currently provided to the Town.

David Wilbrecht: Since the cost per minute is minimal, the MOU could include a base amount that will be billed, such as amounts \$100 or more. The Board suggested not charging the District initially and then reviewing the MOU annually.

Supervisor Bauer: Requested to have this item agendized for the special meeting in Mammoth Lakes on January 20th so the Board can discuss this idea in connection with Mammoth Unified School District.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- 10a) Ordinance - Compensation of the Board of Supervisors (**Robert Garret**) - Consider and potentially introduce, read title, and waive further reading of proposed ordinance: "An Ordinance of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Amending Section 2.04.030 of the Mono County Code Pertaining To Compensation of the Board of Supervisors," and direct clerk to schedule said ordinance for adoption at the Board's next regular meeting. Receive staff report. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Action: Introduce, read title, and waive further reading of proposed ordinance. Direct Clerk to schedule ordinance for adoption at the Board's next regular meeting.

No Action

David Wilbrecht: Annually, the County has compensated the Board relative to the 23-county survey; however, this is completely at the discretion of the Board. This year is a CPI year, so the amount of the increase would be 4.3%.

Supervisor Farnetti: Traditionally the Board has waited until all employee negotiations are completed before considering a pay increase. In light of the current economic situation nationally and locally, and considering the increase the Board received last year, the Board, as leaders, should set an example by not taking the increase this year. All Board Members agreed with Supervisor Farnetti.

The Board decided to forego a salary increase this year.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

11a)

Boards, Commissions, and Committees (Lynda Roberts) - The Mono County Supervisors serve on various boards, commissions, and committees for one-year terms that expire on December 31st. Each January, the Board of Supervisors makes appointments for the upcoming year.

Action: Appoint Supervisors to boards, commissions, and committees for 2009.

Lynda Roberts: Annually at the first meeting in January, the Board makes assignments to boards, commissions and committees. The Board made its appointments to the CSAC board of directors at the December 9, 2008, meeting.

The Board made the following appointments:

- Airport Land Use Commission: Supervisors Hunt, Hazard, and Farnetti (alternate)
- Alcohol, Drug, Mental Health Combined Advisory Board: Supervisors Farnetti and Hunt (alternate)
- Bodie Hills Coordinating Resource Management Planning Steering Committee: Supervisor Reid
- BLM Land Tenure Committee: Supervisor Hunt
- Central Sierra Conservation Resource Council: Supervisor Hunt
- Conway Ranch Task Force: Supervisor Reid
- Coalition for Unified Recreation in the Eastern Sierra: Supervisor Hunt
- Collaborative Planning Team, Mono County: Supervisors Reid and Hunt (alternate)
- Eastern Sierra Community College Committee: Supervisors Farnetti and Hunt (alternate)
- Eastern Sierra Council of Governmental Entities: Supervisors Hunt, Hazard and Farnetti (alternate)
- Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA): Supervisors Hunt and Bauer
- Emergency Services Council, Mono County: Supervisors Hazard, Hunt and Bauer (alternate)
- Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District: Supervisors Hunt, Hazard, and Farnetti (alternate)

- Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 Independent Hearing Panel for Local Enforcement Agency: Supervisor Farnetti
- Inter-Agency Committee on Owens Valley Land & Wildlife: Supervisors Hazard and Farnetti (alternate)
- Inter-Agency Visitors' Center Board of Directors: Supervisor Hunt
- Inyo-Mono Area Agency on Aging #16 (IMAAA): Supervisors Reid and Hazard
- Law Library, Mono County: Supervisor Farnetti
- Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO): Supervisors Farnetti, Bauer, and Hunt (alternate)
- Local Transportation Commission, Mono County: Supervisors Reid, Farnetti, and Hazard
- Long Valley Hydrologic Advisory Committee: Supervisor Hazard
- Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce: Supervisors Farnetti and Hunt (alternate)
- Mammoth Mountain Ski Area Liaison Committee: Supervisors Farnetti, Bauer and Hunt (alternate)
- Mono County Children & Families Commission: Supervisors Hunt and Farnetti (alternate)
- National Association of Counties: Supervisors Bauer and Hunt
- Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC): Supervisors Reid, Hazard (alternate) and Hunt (alternate)
- Sierra Nevada Conservancy: Supervisor Hunt
- Solid Waste Task Force: Supervisor Farnetti
- Town-County Liaison Committee: Supervisors Farnetti, Reid and Hazard (alternate)
- YARTS JPA: Supervisors Bauer, Reid (alternate) and Hunt (alternate)

11b) Board of Supervisors Special Meeting Schedule (**Lynda Roberts**) - Proposed schedule for 2009.

Action: Briefly discuss changes and alternatives to the proposed schedule of special meetings for 2009.

Lynda Roberts: The proposed schedule is based on the 2008 schedule; the Board needs to review and make changes for 2009.

The Board set the schedule for 2009 as follows (subject to change as needed):

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| • Mammoth Lakes | January 20, 2009 |
| • Lee Vining Community Center | February 17, 2009 |
| • Benton Community Center | March 17, 2009 |
| • Walker Community Center | April 21, 2009 |
| • Chalfant Community Center | May 19, 2009 |
| • June Lake Community Center | June 16, 2009 |
| • Crowley Lake Community Center | July 21, 2009 |
| • Mammoth Lakes | August 18, 2009 |
| • Walker Community Center | September 15, 2009 |
| • June Lake Community Center | October 20, 2009 |
| • Will schedule if needed | November 17, 2009 |
| • Swall/Paradise | December 15, 2009 |

ADJOURN: 11:39 a.m.

The Board adjourned the meeting in memory and honor of Roy Saari, Mammoth Lakes.

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